

## **PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION**

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following notice of proposed action under the Nevada Revised Statutes.

The Administrator has received a complete application for a water pollution control discharge permit #NEV2003512 from the following applicant:

Washoe County Department of Water Resources  
Utility Division  
4930 Energy Way  
Reno, Nevada 89502

The applicant proposes to apply treated wastewater effluent (reuse) for open space and landscape irrigation at the Damonte Ranch Common Areas, Damonte Ranch High School, and Bishop Manogue High School in Reno, Nevada. Treated effluent will be supplied by the South Truckee Meadows Water Reclamation Facility (STMWRF). Monitoring is required to assess the quality and quantity of effluent applied, and to ensure that groundwater quality is protected and not degraded.

On the basis of preliminary review of the requirements of the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS), and implementing regulations, the Administrator proposes to issue a permit to discharge, subject to certain effluent limitations and special conditions.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding permit issuance or request a hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code for Water Pollution Control should submit their comments or request, in writing, within thirty (30) days of newspaper publication, by January 20, 2004 either in person or by mail to:

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources  
Division of Environmental Protection  
Bureau of Water Pollution Control  
333 West Nye Lane  
Carson City, Nevada 89710

All comments or objections received within thirty (30) days will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. A public notice of such hearing will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the hearing date.

If no hearing is held and the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator will give public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time.

The application, proposed permit, comments received, and other information are on file and may be copied or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by calling Icyll C. Mulligan of the Bureau of Water Pollution Control at 775.687.9432, or by fax at 775.687.4684. The Public Notice and Fact Sheet are on the NDEP web site at <http://ndep.nv.gov/admin/public.htm>.

Please bring the foregoing notice to the attention of all persons whom you know would be interested in this matter.